

DRAFT Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission
Proclamation

Statewide Furbearer Hunting and Trapping Seasons and Bag Limits
(Exclusive of Wildlife Management Areas and Refuges)

Pursuant to the authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-4-107 and 70-5-108, the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission hereby proclaims the statewide furbearer hunting and trapping seasons and bag limits effective August 1, 2006.

Section I. Hunting

Species	Opens	Closes	Daily Bag
Groundhog, Coyote, Nutria, Striped Skunk, Beaver	Year-round		No Limit
Fox, Mink, Muskrat, Spotted Skunk, Weasel	Friday before Thanksgiving	Feb. 15	No Limit

River Otter¹

Regions I, II and III. That portion of Tennessee as defined by TWRA regional boundaries as published

Opens	Closes	Daily Bag
Friday before Thanksgiving	Feb. 15	No Limit

Region IV. That portion of Tennessee as defined by TWRA regional boundaries as published

Opens	Closes	Daily Bag
Friday before Thanksgiving	Jan. 15	No Limit

Species	Opens	Closes	Daily Bag
Bobcat	Friday before Thanksgiving	Feb. 15	1

¹ All river otters harvested must be tagged by harvester with Tennessee US CITES tags.

Raccoon, Opossum²

Western Unit

That portion of Tennessee west of and including Scott, Morgan, Roane, McMinn, and Bradley counties

	Opens	Closes	Daily Bag
Taking Season	Sunset 3 rd Friday in September	Sunrise Feb. 15	2 per person per night ³
Training Season	Year-round except where regulated by Private Act		No Taking Permitted

Eastern Unit

That portion of Tennessee east of Scott, Morgan, Roane, McMinn, and Bradley counties

	Opens	Closes	Daily Bag
Taking Season	Sunset 1 st Friday in November	Sunrise Feb. 15	2 per person per night ⁴
Training Season	Year-round except where regulated by Private Act		No Taking Permitted

Section II. Trapping

Species	Opens	Closes	Daily Bag
Groundhog, Coyote, Nutria, Beaver	Year-round		No Limit

Bobcat, Fox, Mink, Muskrat, Opossum, Raccoon, Spotted Skunk, Striped Skunk, Weasel	Friday before Thanksgiving	Feb. 15	No Limit
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River Otter⁴

Regions I, II and III. That portion of Tennessee as defined by TWRA regional boundaries as published

	Opens	Closes	Daily Bag
	Friday before Thanksgiving	Feb. 15	No Limit

² No limit on opossum

³ Night defined as one 24-hour period commencing at sunset.

⁴ All river otters harvested must be tagged by harvester with Tennessee US CITES tags.

River Otter ⁵ (Cont.)

Region IV. That portion of
Tennessee as defined by
TWRA regional
boundaries as published

Opens	Closes	Daily Bag
Friday before Thanksgiving	Jan. 15	No limit

The following counties are included in the statewide fox hunting and trapping seasons, after determining a need for the opening thereof:

Blount	Johnson	Overton
Carter	Knox	Pickett
Clay	Loudon	Putnam
Cocke	Macon	Rhea
Fentress	McMinn	Robertson
Hamblen	Meigs	Sevier
Haywood	Monroe	White
Jefferson		

Section VI. Possession Limits

The possession limit for all species listed herein is twice the daily bag limit except opening day when it shall be the same as the daily bag limit.

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All river otters harvested must be tagged by harvester with Tennessee US CITES tags.

Section VII. Repeal of Prior Proclamation

This proclamation repeals Proclamation No. 05-12, dated May 19, 2005.

Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission

Chairman

I certify that this is an accurate and complete copy of a proclamation lawfully promulgated and adopted by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission on the 20th day of May, 2006.

Secretary

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the _____ day of _____, 2006.

Notary Public

My commission expires: _____

Proclamation No. 06-XX received and recorded this _____ day of _____, 2006.

Riley C. Darnell, Secretary of State